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### Cover

-On November 30 members of the Executives' Program Council paid honor to Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, during an informal reception at Christian Endeavor Headquarters in Columbus, Ohio. Rev. Walter M. Burkholder, Council chairman, presented a plaque to Dr. Poling in gratitude for his service to Christian Endeavor through the years.

Photo by Gordon McMordie

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## MEMO

from the General Secretary . . . .

### THE 1962 ENDEAVORER OF THE YEAR . . . .

Again in 1962 the International Society, with the help of local societies and unions, will seek out a Christian Endeavorer of the Year.

Countless numbers of Christian Endeavorers each year do outstanding and exceptional work in their communities, their schools, their churches, their Christian Endeavor societies, as they demonstrate their allegiance to Christ from day to day. The International Society wishes to recognize outstanding Christian Endeavorers as well as to encourage all young people in their Christian witness. Any Christian Endeavor society, union, or adult group in the United States, Canada, or Mexico which enrolls in the 1962 Society Roll Call may nominate a young person for the Endeavorer of the Year selection.

The first award will be an all-expense paid trip (to a maximum of \$150) to the 1962 International Christian Endeavor Summer Assembly, Huntington College, Huntington, Indiana, July 2-7, plus room and meal costs at Huntington College for five nights' lodging (dormitory style) Monday through Friday nights, and all meals from Monday night dinner through Saturday breakfast, plus a registration fee, all worth \$30.

The next three runners-up will receive free room and meals as described above, along with the free registration, all worth \$30.

The basis of awards will be a nomination by a Christian Endeavor society, union, or adult group. The form for nomination will be sent to any of these organizations which enroll during December, January, February, or March in the 1962 Society Roll Call. In addition, the organizations which enroll will receive a handsome enrollment certificate suitable for framing and hanging. Organizations giving \$15 receive a blue seal certificate. Red seal certificates go to those groups giving \$30. Gifts of \$50 or more earn a gold seal certificate.

Persons nominated must have passed their 12th birthday but must not have reached their 22nd birthday by February 28, 1962. Any person nominated must be an active member of a Christian Endeavor society. The completed nomination forms must be received by the International Society in Columbus, Ohio, not later than April 16, 1962. The winners will be selected by a board of International judges appointed by the International Society of Christian Endeavor. The decisions of the judges are final and will be announced on May 25, 1962.

The 1962 Endeavorer of the Year may be in your church! Every society and union ought to nominate a person for this selection. How do you do it? See that your society or union is enrolled during December, January, February, or March in the 1962 Society Roll Call.

*Harold Westerhoff*



1962 officers installed by Harold E. Westerhoff (left) are (left to right) James R. Westerhoff, Gordon McMordie, Dorothy E. Howes, and Dr. W. N. Gibson (not pictured).



The sessions closed with a worship and communion service Sunday morning, directed by Dr. Earle W. Gates

When eighty top leaders  
pend four days in intensive study,  
s Christian Endeavor's...

## "Summit Conference"

Christian Endeavor's "summit conference" was the appropriate name given to this year's Executives' Program Council by Dr. Daniel A. Poling, who spoke at the Fellowship Banquet.

Over eighty Christian Endeavor leaders from all parts of the United States and from Canada met in Columbus, Ohio, November 30-December 3. Current plans, materials, and emphases of the movement were presented, and many phases of the work were reviewed as leaders shared ideas and studied materials.

A high light of the meetings was the fellowship banquet on Friday night. Rev. Raymond C. Steinhart, Evangelical Congregational minister from Easton, Pennsylvania, was the toastmaster. Christian Endeavor world-wide was emphasized, pointing up plans for the 14th World's Convention in Sydney, Australia, August 16-21, 1962, and for the 47th International Convention scheduled for Washington, D.C., July 2-6, 1963.

Dr. Poling, who is president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union and editor of CHRISTIAN HERALD magazine, spoke from his own rich Christian Endeavor experiences through the years, "not to glorify the past but to gain encouragement for the future." Using Matthew 17:1-8 as his text, he challenged each one to take the experiences of this "summit conference" and put them to use in the "valley of service" back home.

The sessions opened on Thursday, November 30, with a keynote message by Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, D.D., of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, president of the International Society, on "Venture With Christ," Christian Endeavor's current biennial theme. Using Mark 10:28 as his text, he suggested these fields of Christian venture: right will win, prayer, giving, living, and evangelism.

Bishop Meadows also gave devotional meditations to begin the day on Friday and Saturday. His meditation on Friday morning was based on II Corinthians 9:15 and John 3:16, using the subject, "The Unspeakable Gift." He emphasized that God gave His Son, our salvation, spiritual strength, the Holy Spirit to quicken, and tasks to be performed. His Saturday morning meditation was based on the three great ideas in I John 4—try the spirits, Christian love, and love toward God.

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Headquarters associates were hosts at an informal reception on Thursday night at Christian Endeavor headquarters. A feature of this visit to 1221 East Broad Street in Columbus was recognition of Dr. Poling's birthday. A plaque was presented to Dr. Poling by Rev. Walter M. Burkholder, chairman of the Executives' Program Council, in honor of his many years of service to the movement. Mr. Burkholder is general secretary of the Department of Christian Education of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, with headquarters in Huntington, Indiana.

A three-session study course on Christian Endeavor committee work was taught by Delno W. Brown, educational secretary of the International Society. The first session emphasized the reasons for Christian Endeavor committee work and the five basic committees. In the second session Mr. Brown used two skits to portray committees in action, while the closing period featured reports from regional vice-presidents of committee work in their areas.

Another study course which was particularly helpful was that on depth Bible study led by Jay Sheffield of Cincinnati, Ohio, editor of *THE LOOKOUT*. He pointed out the great need for a rational and a systematic study of God's Word and gave these specific suggestions for study: use common sense, have faith in the inspiration of the Bible, apply mental industry, expect to understand, and blessings may be had for the asking. For all Bible study he emphasized the importance of the student seeking diligently the Lord Jesus Christ.

"New Ideas and Approaches" was the subject of a presentation made by Gordon McMordie of Feasterville, general secretary of the Pennsylvania Union. He used this acrostic to show the way to improve ideas and approaches:

- I-identify the problem
- M-methods analysis
- P-rinciples applied
- R-ecapitulate (go over and over)
- O-verall check (review step by step)
- V-alidate by actual use (pilot project)
- E-ffective use

"The basic element in extending Christian Endeavor is the conviction that this is the finest youth product in the



Among those at the head table for the fellowship banquet were (from left) Rev. Nathan H. VanderWerf, pianist; Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, D.D.; Dr. Daniel A. Poling, banquet speaker; and Rev. Raymond C. Steinhart, the toastmaster.



Headquarters associates (top) served as hosts and hostesses at the informal reception (bottom) at Christian Endeavor headquarters. Refreshments included a cake in honor of Dr. Daniel A. Poling's birthday.

world," said Elwood Dunn of Detroit, general secretary of the Michigan Union, when he discussed "Extending Christian Endeavor." Mr. Dunn is also the extension representative of the International Society.

Rev. Clair E. Beatty, member of the Youth Work Committee and Presbyterian minister from Covington, Ohio, led the period on "Better Meetings." He outlined practical points to be carried out before the meeting and during the meeting and affirmed that the weekly meeting is where Christian Endeavor stands or falls.

A pictorial report of Christian Endeavor in 1961 was narrated by Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of both the International Society and the World's Union.

Delno Brown emphasized preparations being made to celebrate Christian Endeavor Week and outlined plans for the 1962 Citizenship Awards Program, now under way.



Earle W. Gates, Jr., led the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday morning on the subject, "A Talented Musician." Assisting him were Gloria McDonald (seated, left), Bonnie Merkle, and other youth delegates.





Elno W. Brown asked these delegates (top) to portray a typical committee meeting and three regional vice-presidents (bottom) to tell of committee work in their areas, during his three-session presentation on Christian Endeavor committees.

The editor of **THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD**, Phyllis I. Rike, reported future plans for the publication. She also indicated that 1962 Outdoor Posters, with a completely new design, will soon appear on poster boards across the country.

Two features of the Sunday morning session were the Christian Endeavor meeting led by youth delegates under the direction of Earle W. Gates, Jr., of Derby, New York, chairman of the Youth Assembly, and the closing service of worship and communion led by Dr. Earle W. Gates, his father, who is immediate past president of the International Society.

The Christian Endeavor meeting was on the topic, "A Talented Musician," and featured youth delegates. Buzz groups were used for the discussion period.

In his communion meditation Dr. Gates said that the greatest need for each of us is to be drawn ever closer to

the Hither Side of God (Jesus Christ) and abide in Him forever.

The newly-elected officers of the Council were installed by Harold Westerhoff, who based his challenge on this quotation from Psalm 19:4 which appears on a plaque in Williston Congregational Church, "Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world."

Song leader during the sessions was Cecil A. Jeffery of Columbus, general secretary of the Ohio Union, with Rev. Nathan H. VanderWerf, Reformed Church minister of Morrison, Illinois, at the piano.

The Executives' Program Council meets annually. Included in its membership are denominational youth workers; presidents and employed field, executive, and general secretaries of Christian Endeavor unions; officers of the International Society; and youth delegates appointed by the unions. The work of the Council is carried out through four committees—Educational, Children's Work, Youth Work, and Adult Work.

James R. Westerhoff of Hawthorne, New Jersey, vice-president of the International Society in charge of the Middle Atlantic Region, succeeds Mr. Burkholder as chairman of the Council. Vice-chairmen are Gordon McMordie and Dr. W. N. Gibson of Newburgh, Indiana, General Baptist Church leader. Secretary is Dorothy E. Howes of Portland, executive secretary of the Oregon Union.

Committees were elected as follows:

**Educational Committee**—Paul F. Hurley, chairman; Rev. Charles W. Barner, Rev. Walter M. Burkholder, Elwood Dunn, Dr. Earle W. Gates, Dr. W. N. Gibson, Rev. Robert Hess, Mrs. Warren G. Hoopes, Sr., Rev. Enoch B. Rochester, and James R. Westerhoff.

**Children's Work Committee**—Mrs. Warren G. Hoopes, Sr., chairman; Mrs. Marlin Dossett, Mrs. Christian A. Tirre, and Florence Zimmerman.

**Youth Work Committee**—Elwood Dunn, chairman; Rev. Clair E. Beatty, Rev. Edgar L. Mack, Charles A. Matthews, Rev. C. K. Nicholson, Wanna Sell, Rev. Harry A. Shuster, Jr., and Rev. Nathan H. VanderWerf.

**Adult Work Committee**—Dr. Earle W. Gates, chairman; Phyllis G. Brown, Joan Pyle, and Jay Sheffield.

Dates for next year's meetings of the Executives' Program Council are November 29-December 2 in Columbus, Ohio. The dates of December 5-8 were set for 1963.



Members of the Educational Committee met in Columbus November 28 and 29 under the chairmanship of Dr. W. N. Gibson (seated, fourth from left) to consider Christian Endeavor program and publications.



"Washington 1963" is the topic for discussion when Phil C. Reed (left) and Alden E. Imus, Jr. (right), leaders of the Capital Area Convention Committee, talk with Rev. Raymond C. Steinhart, Program Committee chairman.





Albert H. Diebold receives plaque from Bishop Clyde W. Meadows (right) while Dr. Daniel A. Poling (left) and Harold E. Westerhoff look on.

## ALBERT H. DIEBOLD RECEIVES PLAQUE

Albert H. Diebold of New York City was honored by the International Society of Christian Endeavor on November 27 by the presentation of a plaque noting his generous contributions to the citizenship program for the last six years.

The plaque read: "Presented in appreciation to Albert H. Diebold, Christian layman, business leader, patriotic American, for his devotion to the cause of Christ and the Church through his manifold gifts, making possible Christian Endeavor's Crusade for Christian Citizenship."

The presentation was made to Mr. Diebold in New York City by Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, D.D., president of the International Society. Others participating included Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the World's Union, and Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of both the International Society and the World's Union.

The Albert H. Diebold Awards for winners in the 1962 Citizenship Awards Program include cash, trips, plaques, and certificates. The eleventh annual citizenship competition is open to Christian Endeavor societies and similar youth groups in the United States and Canada. Awards are based on citizenship activities.

Other emphases of the current crusade include a clean-up campaign against obscene literature, a concerted effort to make citizenship very practical in all program materials, and participation in "Know Your America Week," sponsored by the All-American Conference to Combat Communism.

## TO ENTER AWARDS PROGRAM

Study the folder "What Is Christian Citizenship?" and select some significant Christian citizenship activity. Organize the society for action and complete the activity by February 5. Keep full records of objectives and plans and accomplishments.

Detach the entry form at the right, fill out, and attach materials describing the activity—written report, photographs, press clippings, drawings, commendations, etc.

Mail the entry form and all accompanying materials to the Citizenship Director of the International Society of Christian Endeavor by February 5, 1962. All entries will be acknowledged.

**IMPORTANT! DO NOT SEND ENTRY UNTIL PROJECT IS COMPLETED! SUBMIT MATERIALS DESCRIBING THE ACTIVITY WITH THE ENTRY FORM.**

# How to Prepare the Report Of a Citizenship Activity

Has your society completed its citizenship activity for Christian Endeavor 1962 Citizenship Awards Program? Then you're ready to prepare the report the activity, to be sent to the International Society as your entry.

How should your report be written? What should be included? Here are some helpful suggestions compiled by Delno W. Brown, citizenship director of the International Society. Follow them carefully and you will know that your report covers all necessary items and gives the needed information.

For answers to specific questions or for additional information, contact Mr. Brown at 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

1. What are the facts about our society? (*Include name, age level, size of group, name of church, size and location of community*)
2. What was our Christian citizenship activity?
3. When was our activity begun?
4. When was it completed?
5. What were the goals of our activity?
6. How did we seek to achieve our goals? (*Explain the activity in detail, including photographs, press clippings, drawings, commendations, etc., to illustrate exactly what was done*)
7. Were our goals achieved?
8. What were other results of our activity?
9. What does our society plan to do as a result of having conducted this activity?
10. What percentage (and how many members) of our society participated in this activity?
11. How did our activity implement the folder "What Is Christian Citizenship?"
12. How did our activity bear a Christian witness in our community?

Be clear and concise. Read, revise, and rewrite your report until it sets forth effectively just what your society has accomplished through its citizenship activity. Mail your entry form and attached materials to Citizenship Director, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Entries must be postmarked no later than February 5, 1962, and received by the International Society by February 16, 1962.

### ENTRY FORM (Print or type in full)

(Valid only if postmarked no later than February 5, 1962, and received by the International Society in Columbus, Ohio, by February 16, 1962)

Please enter the citizenship activity described in the attached materials in Christian Endeavor's Citizenship Awards Program.

(Name of society or group)

(Name of church)

(Address of church)

(Name and address of person sending entry)

(Your office or position in society or church)

Send to Citizenship Director, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

All entries become the property of the International Society of Christian Endeavor. All participating societies or groups agree to abide by the decisions of the judges, which are final.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD



# A STUDY

by  
Delno W. Brown

## OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

From a Master of Arts thesis,  
Northwestern University, 1958

In 1859 a book was published which changed the entire religious complex of America. It was Darwin's *Origin of Species*. Those who accepted its theories no longer considered man the end and purpose of creation, but only the product of natural selection among anthropoids. The universe was no longer looked upon as an orderly creation, but a wholly uncertain thing. . . .

Higher criticism was used to justify a narrative or allegorical interpretation of the Bible, and much of the Bible that did seem compatible with modern life was rejected. No longer was the Bible considered the supreme authority by an increasing number of Protestant churches. . . .

The prevailing religion was characterized by its comfort. Most people of the New England states desired that religion should provide peace of mind and aesthetic satisfaction. It was said that the leading doctrine of Boston was not to offend anybody, and as a result personal conviction almost disappeared. . . .

However, this was not the complete religious picture of the time, even in New England. There were many ministers who adhered strictly to orthodoxy, and many churches which accepted willingly the faith of their ancestors. This was particularly true in the state of Maine, which was too removed for its citizens to be bothered much by the latest developments elsewhere. . . .

Largely responsible for the survival of orthodoxy in Maine, and many other sections of New England as well, was the Andover Theological Seminary of Andover, Massachusetts. It had been founded in 1808 to counteract the abandonment of Harvard educators of liberal faith. One of the leaders in its founding was Judge Samuel Phillips of Andover, a great grandfather of the great Congregational preacher Phillips Brooks. . . .

Through the years, Andover persistently opposed the trend toward liberalism and educated young men who had been trained in orthodoxy. Among the graduates in the spring of 1876 was Francis E. Clark, and his first pastorate was the Williston Congregational Church in Portland, Maine.

Thus, Clark had a background of orthodoxy, and he preached in an area where orthodoxy was still popular, and the combination proved to be right for the founding of an orthodox youth movement. Clark realized the importance of faith and prayer and Bible reading in the lives of young people, and the environment reacted favorably to his suggestion that a youth organization based on these principles be founded. It was good seed and sown in good soil, and it brought forth a hundredfold. . . .

Young Francis Clark had come to serve the Williston Church in Portland, Maine, with the understanding that its house of worship would be rebuilt as soon as pos-

sible. And during the second year of his ministry, the congregation built a new structure in a new residential section of the city and moved there to worship. Under the leadership of its young minister, the church attracted many young couples from that neighborhood, and it was not long till the majority of its members were under forty years of age.

There were thus many young people in the families of the church, and Clark persuaded its leaders to admit youth to membership. Many of them became members, and Clark felt a personal responsibility for their development as Christians. For four years, he devoted much thought and effort to the church youth, and in the winter of 1881, his work came to a climax.

The high point of each church year at Williston was the "Week of Prayer" held during the early days of January. Special meetings were held each night, and opportunity was given in each meeting to accept Christ as Lord. There were usually from twenty to forty added to membership at this time each year, and most of them were young people.

A number of youth were added in January of 1881, and the recurrent problem of how to hold them in the church arose again. Clark had tried a debating club, a musical society, social gatherings, the Mizpah Mission Circle led by Mrs. Clark, and even a weekly prayer meeting for youth, but nothing had satisfactory results. The Mizpah Circle was to meet at the parsonage on February 2 with games for the children during the afternoon, then supper, and finally a missionary meeting for the young people. Clark devoted the morning to thinking about the youth program of the church and planning something new and challenging to present to them that night.

He felt that something must be discovered to capture and to hold the interest of the young people. Other attempts had sought to appeal to their group instinct and failed, and so he decided to make a personal appeal to the youth based on their individual responsibilities in the church.

That night, he presented the idea of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. It was to be a thoroughly Christian society centering around a weekly prayer meeting for youth in which each of them was to take some part by himself. Each youth was also to take his turn in leading a meeting. Clark asked all who were willing to sign the constitution that night.

After he had presented his proposal, there was some hesitation. It was a thorough commitment which he asked these young people to make, and it could not be done immediately. But when one had signed, others followed, and it was not long till everybody in the room had signed.

However, the first real test was yet to come. The regular time for the young peo-

ple's prayer meeting was a few nights later, and on that Friday night about forty were present. The spirit of consecration prevailed, and a variety of Scriptures and prayers and testimonies was given by all.

Christian Endeavor worked. There were thousands of other pastors who were waiting for something that would work among their youth. They had been thinking along the same lines, they were desiring the same results, and they were soon to experience the same thrill which Clark felt in that first Christian Endeavor prayer meeting.

There was every reason for the existence of Christian Endeavor. History had moved on and left behind the youth of New England, and they needed such a force to challenge them to a life with purpose and meaning. Politics had corrupted the government of the nation on every level, and some program was needed to train the oncoming generation to become honest citizens of a reformed America.

The lust for money had turned the brisk, rural atmosphere of New England into a dull monotony of factory towns where the poor were oppressed and driven to the depths of immorality. There was a crying need for some movement which would not only recognize their needs, but also help them to rise above the plight into which they had fallen.

The religion of New England had almost forgotten that it was a thing of the Spirit and had largely become a thing of the flesh. No longer were the churches interested in saving souls, but in healing bodies. There were still many bastions of orthodoxy throughout the region, of course, and something was needed to rally their forces and to remind the churches everywhere of the primacy of their mission to the soul of man.

Organizations by the thousands had appeared during the nineteenth century in New England, but most of them were directed toward adults, even in the church. The young were customarily slighted in those days, and so there was a mounting need for some organization to concentrate on them and their development as leaders in the church of tomorrow.

Finally, many churches were faced with the practical problem of providing something to hold their youth. The pastors knew that if something were not discovered soon, many of them would be lost to the churches and absorbed by the world. There was an undeniable need for something to lead them to a lasting commitment to Christ and to the church.

Not only was Christian Endeavor needed, but there was also a need for a leader to bring it into being and to help it to accomplish its purpose. Francis E. Clark was the man for the job. God is always preparing men for important pieces of work, and for several years this young man had been in training for this great work which began on February 2, 1881.



# A CALL TO PRAYER FOR SYDNEY 1962

February 23 has been set as the next evening of prayer for the 14th World's Christian Endeavor Convention, according to announcement made recently by Allen P. W. Broome, secretary of the Convention City Committee. Convention sessions will be held August 16-21, 1962, in Sydney, Australia.

Mr. Broome reports that meetings will be held throughout Australia and New Zealand on this Friday night, to engage in prayer for the convention.

Societies throughout the world are invited to arrange special prayer evenings on that date or at least to encourage their members to remember the convention in prayer, particularly on February 23.

Prayer partners for the convention are being enlisted, who will promise to pray daily that His Holy Spirit might work through the convention. Over 500 are already pledged in Australia. Those around the world who are willing to become prayer partners are urged to drop a note to Dr. A. Cyril Cato, Prayer Convenor, Convention City Committee, Christian Endeavor Office, 140 Elizabeth Street, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.



P. A. R. Chesterton (left) of Birrong, New South Wales, secretary of the National Christian Endeavor Union of Australia, with Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of the World's Christian Endeavor Union.

president, and Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, D.D., of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, president of the International Society.

Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of both the International Society and the World's Union, will conduct a fellowship tour for International Society delegates to Australia. The tour party will participate in special meetings with Japanese Endeavorers en route to the convention in Sydney and will also visit Hong Kong, Manila, Singapore, Melbourne, Wellington, Auckland, Fiji, and Hawaii. The group leaves San Francisco August 3, returning September 2.

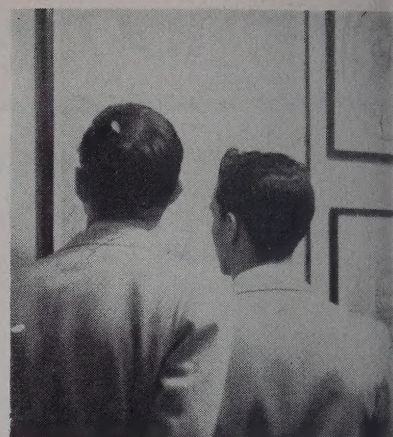
The party is limited to thirty-five persons. Total cost of the all-expense, personally conducted tour is \$2,325 at present published rates. A deposit of \$200 will reserve a place. Write to Harold E. Westerhoff, Tour Director, at 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

## MAKING YOUR WILL . . . .

Making your Will is not required of you legally. It is not imposed by law. But—it is a privilege afforded you. And only you can make your Will.

Making a Will is your opportunity to make your will known concerning the disposition of your possessions. Whatever is the size of your estate, it should be governed by your Will and administered by an Executor named by you and who will carry out your exact wishes. Many people do not realize the difficulty they leave behind them when they do not leave a Will, making it necessary for their estates to be administered by the courts.

A Christian's Will is bound to be a Christian Will. You can help guarantee the future ministry of Christian Endeavor International by including the International Society of Christian Endeavor in your Will. Consult your attorney.



Three unique pictures of Christ recently hung Christian Endeavor headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, are gifts from Korean Christian Endeavorers. They are unusual because they are prepared from printed words, so shaded as to form a drawing. The large picture of the right Christ contains the words of the entire New Testament, while the picture of the Messiah on the right is prepared from the Gospel of Matthew and the bottom picture from the Gospel of Luke. All of these pictures are in English and were prepared by Gwang Hyuk Rhee, a refugee from North Korea. The young men in the photo are looking closely to see if the words can actually be read—and it can be done, if you have good eyesight! The photos were given by Harold E. Westerhoff at a welcome meeting in Seoul during his Around-the-World trip in 1960.

## • • • • • • A Church Named • "Christian Endeavor"

- On Standley Street in Beverly, Massachusetts, is the Centerville Christian Endeavor Church, a church with an interesting history. A Sunday school was organized here in 1870, followed in 1893 by a Christian Endeavor society. Concerned about the need for a meeting place in a more central location (they were then meeting in a school), the society purchased a lot and, some years later, voted to begin building and to name the new structure the Centerville Christian Endeavor Church. The new building with furnishings, costing \$5,000, was dedicated April 16, 1908. The congregation was organized in 1920 as an interdenominational church. It was served by student pastors until February 1961, when the first full-time pastor, Rev. Herman Heintz, was called. In 1956 an addition to the building was dedicated, to be used for class rooms.





# With Adults in Christian Endeavor

A page especially for Young Adults (25-35) and Adults (36-up)

## INFORMATION SERVICE

THE usual bulletin board deals with meetings to attend and things to do. Your *World-Wide* bulletin board can suggest things to think about.

You need both types to serve the Adult or Young Adult unit.

*World-Wide* will display pictures and short articles, clipped from denominational and other magazines, which remind us of the churches at work in the mission fields and in social service.

*World-Wide* will include clippings about international and interracial goodwill and efforts that are made to promote justice and peace among men.

A letter and photographs from one who is engaged in mission work or who studying abroad will be thumb-tacked to the *World-Wide* board.

This lively information service will need an editor or co-ordinator, not so much to blue-pencil as to arrange exhibited material and remove the older stories as new ones become available.

If ably handled, *World-Wide* should inform and inspire, stretching our interests and sympathies to encompass all mankind.

## The Christian's Allies

by Bert H. Davis

THE Christian knows, because of his faith, that he is not alone as he ventures through life.

"The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms."

"And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

Visible among our allies on earth are our fellow Christians, our ministers and churches, and the institutions like schools and hospitals that are witnesses for the Christian spirit that created them.

We know that in every land there are some, even if only a scattered few, who join us in the Christian faith and in trying to witness Christ among men. When our own personal problems and even a sense of frustration may press heavily on our spirits, we take courage from the example of those who face persecution daily and who sacrifice even more than we can comprehend for the sake of their faith in Christ.

We recognize too that, just as we pray earnestly for our friends and others, so you

and I individually are remembered in the prayers of other Christians—more often and more specifically perhaps than we shall ever know.

Surely we are dissatisfied with our world as it is, with our own lives, with the setbacks that we see to the cause of Christ. The faith of the Adult and Young Adult needs to be equal to the onslaughts of discouragement.

If we sometimes ask ourselves, "What's the use?" we must be prepared to bring up the reserves and renew our confidence. *For this is not man's darkest hour; that must have been before the Father sent His Son to show us the nature of God and to assure us of redemption.*

In the present strife between right and wrong, in all the forms that struggle takes, each of us who wants to do God's will has allies in heaven and on earth. Around the world, we are in fact a goodly company as well as a godly company. And God's way will conquer.

Be strong, and pray that others will be strong. Let your Bible reading drive away the moods of gloom and discouragement.

"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you."

Quotations from the Bible are (in order) from Deuteronomy 33:27; John 14:16,17; James 4:8.

## ADULT TOPIC SUMMARIES

Prepared by the Adult Work Committee

### Christian Endeavor Retrospect and Prospect

*Romans 12:1-21; Ephesians 2:19-22*  
From its beginning in 1881, Christian Endeavor has operated on its motto "For Christ and the Church." Relate or dramatize its thread through the years, from its founding in the parsonage of Williston Congregational Church in Portland, Maine, to its subsequent spread around the world among the people of various churches and age groups. Follow the dramatic history of this pioneer Christ-centered movement with an open discussion on the future of Christian Endeavor. In the days and years ahead, how can God use its four long-standing principles: Confession of Christ, Service to Christ, Loyalty to Christ's Church, and Fellowship with Christ's people?

### World Reconstruction

#### Newcomer's Plight

*Genesis 47:1-7; Exodus 1:5-12*  
"Population explosion" is not new as heralded today. Through the ages people of all nations, races, and creeds have increased and moved from country to coun-

try in a changing world. Leaving the security of the familiar and establishing relationships in new areas can be a frustrating experience. Are newcomers to your community left to shift for themselves, or can they say, "I was a stranger and you took me in?" Here is an opportunity for your church to study its community and make a plan of action. Minority groups and those of lower economic levels especially need attention; for as their world is reconstructed in their new location, they can bloom or be a blight to your community.

### 2. Mission Accomplished!

*Matthew 24:14; 28:18-20*

What a challenge is the Great Commission today! Time and distance are no longer great problems, but the multiplicity of nations increases the assignment. How imperative it is that every nation know of God's love, for this is the salvation of the world. Knowledge of His saving grace can dissolve tensions, war, greed, lust for power, and bring about an understanding among peoples and nations. What are you doing to share in the mission program of your

church? Slides or movies may be available for presentation of your denominational activities in the world field, as well as firsthand information from world travelers. Follow this with a definite sharing of time and substance and evidence that you care and share.

### 3. Persistent Evangelism

*Acts 1:8; 18:1-11; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5*

Christ foretold that His followers would be witnesses unto the uttermost parts of the earth. This witness through the ages has brought light to many once-darkened spots, with grass-roots churches now established in nearly every land. "One hundred years ago," says the *Presbyterian Journal*, "evangelical Christianity was practically unknown in the Congo, in Brazil, in China, in Japan, Korea, Mexico, and many other countries. Today the Church is a powerful factor in every one of these nations. This is the new dimension in Missions." Trace the work of some heroic witnesses, from Paul to Billy Graham. How can you continue this persistent evangelism as a Christian witness in reconstructing our revolutionary world?





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Ephesians 2:19-22

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## Planning the Meeting

Plan a tableau presentation in five scenes. Plan action of the characters in pantomime according to lines of the readers. Persons with clear voices may be used backstage for reading.

### Scene 1

Young Rev. Francis Clark sits at his desk with his Bible open before him, his head bowed.

*First Reader:* (Slowly with much feeling) Thank You, Lord, thank You for every one of these young people who have so recently accepted You. Help us, Lord, to know how to lead them from here. (Pastor Clark slowly raises his head) They need to become a vital part of the church. (Pause) They need to have something important to do. (Slight pause) They are young and inexperienced. Perhaps their own service. (Pause) Yes, I think that is what they need. They could plan and do it themselves. In their own group they would not be so self-conscious. They could plan, pray, work, and witness on their own level of ability and interest. These young people are faced with some pretty tough temptations. Some of them don't have spiritual help at home. These kids need Christian fellowship; this is so much a part of youth.

This society will be a part of the total church program, but will be for the young people themselves. Our new Christians will grow in the Lord, as we help them in their endeavors to live for Christ. (Pauses in attitude of prayer with face turned upward) Thank You, Lord, thank You.

### Scene 2

Seated at a table, Mrs. Clark has a mixing bowl in hand. She pauses with bowed head.

*Second Reader:* Thank You, Lord, for these wonderful young people. Thank You for saving them now when they are young. Lord Jesus, help us to lead them in the right ways. (Mrs. Clark resumes stirring) If there were just some way in which we could give them some special help. They are young. Their temptations are many. (Clark enters enthusiastically)

*First Reader:* Harriet dear, I'm sure God has given us a plan for our young people.

*Second Reader:* Oh, Francis, I have been praying that He would.

*First Reader:* We will help them organize their own society. It will have real purposes based on this commitment. (He hands her a piece of paper, which she reads hurriedly)

*Second Reader:* But Francis, this is asking for a big commitment.

*First Reader:* My dear, I feel they will accept it. First, I feel certain this is God-given. Is it really more than what every Christian should do? Young people need a big challenge. They have so much energy

and intelligence that need to be channeled for Christ and the Church if life is to be the best it can be for each of them. My dear, this covenant is to be made with God. It should be made through faith in His all-sufficient strength.

*Second Reader:* You are right. Let us pray together that the young people will accept it and that God will use this to His glory, and strengthen these precious young lives for His service. (They come down center and kneel together by a chair)

### Scene 3

Pastor Clark and a group of young people are seated about the room.

*Third Reader:* This is February 2, 1881. Fifty-nine young people have crowded into the Clarks' living room here this evening. We have just consumed a large quantity of Mrs. Clark's cookies. Pastor Clark has presented a devotional meditation from Romans 12:1,2. His prayer was unusually fervent, and all hearts seem to be strangely warm with the love of God.

*First Reader:* (Clark rises with a paper in his hand) My dear young friends, I have been giving much thought and prayer to what we should be doing now that the revival is past. Many of you have recently accepted Christ as your Saviour and Lord. You have begun a new way of life. It is my prayer that the Christian life will become increasingly happy and satisfying for each of you.

I feel God would have us organize you into a special society. It must have real meaning and purpose. It will give you opportunity to pray together, to give expression to your Christian experiences in your own group, and we will also plan ways to help you render real service to Christ and the church. I have jotted down some points I would like to present to you.

The name of the society shall be the Williston Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

The object shall be to promote an earnest Christian life among its members, to increase their mutual acquaintance, and to make them more useful in the service of God.

The membership of this society shall consist of all young people who sincerely desire to accomplish the results above specified. They shall become members upon being elected by the society and by signing their names in this book.

"It is expected that all the active members of the society will be present at every meeting unless detained by some absolute necessity and that each one will take some part in every meeting."<sup>1</sup>

Who will come forward, trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength to follow through, and sign this constitution? Will you make it your own? He who does so

<sup>1</sup>Clark, Francis E., *Christian Endeavor in All Lands*, pp. 36-37.

should come prayerfully and in the fear of the Lord. (All heads are bowed. After long pause, one comes forward and signs then others follow)

*First Reader:* God bless you, William Pennell, and Charles Thorndike, and Edward Sayward . . .

### Scene 4

The aged pastor and Mrs. Clark and Daniel A. Poling sit with a world globe on a table between them.

*Second Reader:* Dan, it was forty-five years ago this evening that we had the first Christian Endeavor meeting in our living room. I must confess I had some doubts as to whether the young people would sign. We both felt sure that the whole plan was of the Lord. It thrills me beyond words to see what the Lord has been able to do through Christian Endeavor.

*Fourth Reader:* True, true, mother Clark. The Lord has used Christian Endeavor to win unnumbered souls to Himself around the whole world. Look at these dots on the globe; they represent unions and societies in nearly every country on earth. More than that, these dots represent groups of earnest, active Christians at work for Christ. We have only begun to see what God can do through Christian Endeavor. I shall be eternally thankful to our heavenly Father for giving me a part in this great movement.

(Dr. Clark moves center behind the world globe and places his hands on it)

*First Reader:* Thank You, Lord, thank You.

### Scene 5

Stage is set with a table with open Bible and scroll or book for signatures.

*Third Reader:* (Could be pastor or sponsor) Eighty-one years have passed since that first Christian Endeavor meeting in which those young people committed themselves to the principles and purposes of Christian Endeavor. The commitment is now and has always been the strength of the society.

The purposes as we express them today are: 1. Leading young people to accept Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord; 2. Bringing them into the life of the Church; 3. Sustaining and training them for the service of Christ and His cause; 4. Releasing them through all channels of human activity into the service of God and man.

The principles are: 1. Confession of Christ. 2. Service for Christ. 3. Loyalty to Christ's Church. 4. Fellowship with Christ people.

The pledge sums up both the purposes and the principles in our commitment to Christ and the Church. Who will be the first to come forward to renew your covenant or for the first time make this pledge your own by signing this scroll? He who will do so, let him do it sincerely, prayerfully, and in the fear of the Lord.

### Discussion

On the basis of the purposes and principles of Christian Endeavor, evaluate your society's activities of the past year. Have you kept the pledge? Have you truly been Christian Endeavorers?

What of the year ahead?

Comments by Rev. Walter M. Burkholder, general secretary of Christian Education for the Church of the United Brethren in Christ



## Planning the Meeting

Our topic suggests a "backward look," look to the beginnings of Christian Endeavor. We want to catch a vision of the purpose and inspiration of its early meetings, of what was in the mind and heart of Francis E. Clark when God led him in organizing that first group of Christian Endeavorers in the church in Portland, Maine.

Why not plan a short dramatization by playing the story as found in *Christian Endeavor Essentials* and the folder "The Christian Endeavor Story" or a "This Is Our Life, Christian Endeavor" presentation? Be sure to emphasize the slogan *For Christ and the Church*; the pledge, which is the backbone of our societies; and the strong evangelistic emphasis of those early years.

You might ask four youth speakers or unit leaders to discuss the four basic principles of Christian Endeavor, basing their remarks on the following Scriptures: Consecration of Christ (Romans 10:9,10); Service to Christ (Romans 12:1,2); Loyalty to Christ's Church (Luke 4:16); and Fellowship with Christ's people (Acts 10:34,35).

Or you might assign several short talks to the Christian Endeavor pledge as suggested below under Rethinking the Pledge.

Advertise your meeting well in your church bulletin and with posters. Send out post cards with the following invitation:

Calling everyone to cancel engagements and come celebrate our early to eighty-first

## BIRTHDAY!

Sunday, February 4, 1962 at (time)

Secure pictures of Dr. and Mrs. Clark or other early Christian Endeavor leaders, perhaps in your own church. Be sure to have a wall pledge in a prominent place, and use the Christian Endeavor monogram in your decorations.

Make the closing consecration service a time of rededication to the principles on which Christian Endeavor was founded. Consult the Christian Endeavor Week packet for suggestions. See the last page of the Manual for Guidance and Resource.

Another suggestion is to have a large wooden monogram made with places for eight candles on the C and for eight candles in the E. As the roll of members is called, ask each one to come forward and respond with "A Christian Endeavorer is . . ." in the following sequence. He should light his candle as he explains this characteristic and place it on the monogram. Make assignments before the meeting.

C-hristian	E-nthusiastic
H-onorable	N-ighbory
R-ighteous	D-evoted
I-ndustrious	E-nergetic
S-incere	A-mbitious
T-rustworthy	V-ictorious
I-nterested	O-bedient
A-ctive	R-eady
N-oble	

As these words are given, the leader might write them on the chalkboard as an acrostic. More words and candles may be added for a larger group, and some members may take two parts in a smaller group.

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## Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service  
Singspiration

Sentence Prayers (thanking God for His blessings through Christian Endeavor and asking for His guidance among Christian Endeavorers everywhere)

Prayer Response: One stanza of *Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

Leader's Talk

Topic Presentation: Dramatization and/or Talks on Principles and Pledge

Discussion: How closely do we follow the original purposes? How does Christian Endeavor help to meet our spiritual needs?

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:19-22

Roll Call (see Planning the Meeting)

Christian Endeavor Pledge (in unison)

Silent Prayer

Benediction

## Leader's Talk

Founded in 1881, Christian Endeavor is now observing its 81st birthday. It is estimated that 3,000,000 members of eighty Protestant church groups are affiliated with Christian Endeavor societies and unions in approximately fifty nations and island groups extending throughout the world.

What is the secret of its long history and its world-wide strength today? Our topic tonight gives us an opportunity to consider the features which have made Christian Endeavor strong from its very beginning. (Now point out your plans for the meeting and ask all to be ready to discuss the work of your own society in the light of your findings.)

## Rethinking the Pledge

The pledge is the backbone of the Christian Endeavor society. It is a pledge of allegiance to Jesus Christ. Invariably those who take it seriously and strive earnestly to keep it testify that it is a real help to them in living the Christian life. Following are suggestions for several short talks:

1. "Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength" (II Corinthians 12:9; Philippians 4:13). When we are asked to do things in Christian Endeavor we may be tempted to say, "I can't do that." These verses will help you see why you do not have to try to do things in your own strength.

2. "I promise Him that I will strive" (Colossians 1:29) to do whatever (John 15:14) He would like to have me do" (Colossians 3:17). Why is it important that we be willing to try? Why is it more important that Christian youth be more concerned about pleasing Christ and being obedient to Him than pleasing someone else? What challenge is there to you in this sentence of the pledge?

3. "That I will make it the rule of my life to pray (Psalm 55:17) and to read the Bible every day" (Revelation 1:3). Our spiritual lives cannot grow without regular prayer and Bible reading any more than our

physical bodies can grow without nourishment. We need to find time for daily devotions even if we have to leave some other things undone.

4. "Throughout my whole life, I will endeavor to lead a Christian life" (Philippians 3:14). This means not only as long as we live, but in every part of our lives. We will endeavor to lead a Christian life every day of the week as well as on Sunday—at home, at school, at play. I will be Christian in my relationships to all, whether I like some as well as I like others or not. I will be Christian in my social life. I will be Christian in my thinking. Has this part of the pledge changed your life?

5. "As an active member I promise to be true to all my duties" (I Corinthians 15:58). The society can be only as strong as each member in it. Failure to be responsible for your part of your committee's work or to be present when you are expected and needed is really not endeavoring at all. How does faithfulness to duty in a Christian Endeavor society train us for greater tasks tomorrow?

6. "To be present at and to take some part in every Christian Endeavor prayer meeting" (Colossians 3:16). Here again is the problem of dependability. What value is there to yourself in taking part every Sunday night? What value is there to others?

7. "If obliged to be absent from the monthly consecration meeting of the society, I will, if possible, send a verse of Scripture to be read in response to my name at the roll call." This meeting should be more than just a roll call. It should be a time of reconsecration to Christ.

## Follow-Up

Secure copies of "A Vital Program for Youth" and study it section by section individually or in some of your Sunday evening meetings. This folder sets forth the current biennial theme of Christian Endeavor, "Venture With Christ."

Plan a six-weeks' training course in *Christian Endeavor Essentials*. Both the folder and the book may be secured from the International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

Take a birthday offering for Christian Endeavor to help carry on the work around the world. Interested adults in your church will want to help. Send to the above address.

Comments by Mrs. Aldis L. Webb, wife of a retired Christian Church minister and teacher in a Christian day school in California

Pictures of Christian Endeavorers being carried currently on the topic pages are used to represent all Christian youth who study these topics in the weekly meetings of their societies.





# On the Move!

Genesis 47:1-7; Exodus 1:5-12

(Race Relations Sunday)

Senior High-Young People (15-24 Years)

February 11

## To the Leader

If you want a good meeting, then you must prepare, for even the Lord can't get something out of an empty head. Preparation will give you confidence, poise, and the ability to express yourself acceptably. This is your opportunity to render a fine service; so do your best, and God will bless you in it.

## Preparation Chart

Lesson studied? \_\_\_\_\_  
Parts assigned? \_\_\_\_\_  
Songs chosen? \_\_\_\_\_  
Pianist and song leader notified? \_\_\_\_\_  
Special music arranged? \_\_\_\_\_  
Cards mailed? Poster made? \_\_\_\_\_  
Prospects invited? \_\_\_\_\_

## Publicity

If you arrange a panel as suggested, turn in a story to the newspapers of your city, giving the names and the nationalities represented. Also mention that you are leader of the meeting.

## Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service  
Prelude (quiet music)  
Call to Worship: Psalm 100  
Hymn: *In the Service of the King*  
Prayer  
Hymn: *In Christ There Is No East or West*  
Scripture: Genesis 47:1-7; Exodus 1:5-12  
Special Music: *O Jesus, I Have Promised*  
Sentence Prayers  
Leader's Talk  
Panel Discussion  
Two-Minute Talks  
Questions for Discussion  
Announcements  
Hymn: *Now the Day Is Over*  
Benediction

## Leader's Talk

Many centuries ago the Hebrew nation had its beginning when God called Abraham to leave Ur of Chaldea and travel more than a thousand miles to the land of Palestine. There he and his descendants lived, and at a later date, in a time of famine, went down into Egypt, where they lived for 430 years. Eventually they were led back to their home land by Moses. In the course of time the Israelites became a strong nation, but as they prospered they forgot God and turned to idolatry. Then God allowed the Assyrians to conquer ten of the tribes and scatter them throughout the Mesopotamian Valley. The southern tribes did not learn a lesson from this, and God let the Babylonians destroy Jerusalem and the beautiful temple and carry away the people into exile.

In various parts of the world today, Communists have uprooted people and transported them. In America we have not had this happen, but our population is on the

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. How can Christians see that migrants receive fair wages, decent living quarters, and healthful surroundings?
2. What can the church do to minister to the religious needs of migrants?
3. How can children be given satisfactory education when on the move in migrant families?
4. How is the country as a whole affected by the care or neglect of migrants?

move nevertheless. Hundreds of thousands of migrants go from one part of the country to another seeking work. They are poor, lonely, and friendless; they need the sympathy and help of Christian people. It is about these that we want to think tonight.

## Panel Discussion

This is not the time of year to contact migrants, but if you can find four people who have recently moved to your city, preferably of different nationalities, and who will bring five-minute talks, arrange a panel discussion. They might talk on how they happened to come, the problems they face, and how the church can help.

## Two-Minute Talks

1. (Please tell in your own words.) There are two million migrants, mostly farm workers, who travel from one part of the United States to another, following the harvests. They are very poorly paid, receiving only 7c a bushel for gathering potatoes, 10c a bushel for tomatoes, etc. The same is true of other crops such as beans, beets, cotton, and various fruits. In the East most of them are Negroes; in the Southwest, they are Spanish-Americans; and in the West, Mexican nationals. In some cases they are paid fairly well, but there are times of waiting and rainy days when they make nothing. Crew bosses make big promises, but do not always fulfill them. They often cheat the migrants, and when they operate camp commissaries, they charge them so much for food and other necessities that they keep the workers in debt and they end the season without being able to save anything. These bosses also have been known to operate joints in which there are gambling and liquor to take their money.

2. (Please tell in your own words.) Living conditions for migrants are usually terrible. In one camp they were housed in a made-over chicken house and an unheated barn which had been divided into tiny cells. The mattresses were bags stuffed with straw, with burlap for sheets and blankets. They had no lights, water, or sanitation. They had to use a pump to get water. Conditions of this kind are not only demoralizing, but also lead to epidemics.

On the other hand, in some cases where farmers do provide nice cabins with hot

water, the people are filthy and will not use it, leaving the place looking like a slum area. They have lived so long in the midst of poverty and uncleanness that they have no desire to change.

3. (Please tell in your own words.) Children in Fresno County, California, the ranches set out to solve the problem with the help of community agencies and churches. They built the Westside School, which soon had 680 pupils and 32 teachers, so that the children of the migrants could get a little education. Few of them stay very long in one place at a time. Buses bring in the children from 19 ranches, where they are taught how to do things by which to make a living as well as regular subjects. A free breakfast is given; lunch is only 20c, but most of them eat free in slack times.

In some states cases have been known where children attended 12 or 13 schools a year in as many states. So interrupters are their studies that it has been noted the often a pupil who should be a sixth grade is doing only second grade work.

4. (Please tell in your own words.) The older children of migrants are often made by their parents to work in the fields with them. The younger ones have very little care or supervision and run loose. Often they are taken with the mothers to the fields, where they have to sit in the hot sun while mothers cast occasional glances to see that they do not stray off.

*Farm Journal* reported last year that in California county, farmers and businessmen had arranged for a child-care program that offered breakfast, supervised classes and recreation, lunch and an afternoon snack for only 9c per hour, per pupil. Not a child was enrolled, to the despair of those who had gone to the trouble and hoped to be of help. "How can you help people who won't be helped?" they asked. Possibly a mother with four children felt she could not pay \$2.88 a day for their care. Just what did look after them we are not told.

5. (Please tell in your own words.) Farm must be harvested, and migrants must keep moving, because there is not enough year-around work in one place. Local people won't work for such low wages at jobs which call for back-breaking stooping. Farmers claim they would go broke if they paid higher wages. Consumers are yelling that prices are too high on the market as it is. Apparently government legislation is needed to adjust and regulate conditions. More than six million dollars has been appropriated for migrant birds, but very little for migrant people.

The religious life of the migrants is terribly neglected. In some instances, churches have jointly provided chaplains for the larger camps, and local churches have provided Bible teaching in their communities. Migrants need the Gospel of Christ very much.

## Service Project

The group might like to assist in holding a vacation Bible school for nearby migrant children during the summer. Plan now. Also, clothing might be sent, surprise bags prepared for the children, and religious literature provided. Some denominational boards send older young people to assist in Bible schools during the summer. Consult your minister for information.

Comments by Dr. J. Vernon Jacobs, free-lance writer living in Phoenix, Arizona, and the author of a number of Christian educational books

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD



## What about Pride?

Billy Graham said at his 1961 crusade in Philadelphia that pride is the greatest sin of mankind. Pride separates us from God, that it gives each of us an undue sense of his own superiority. Pride makes us con- sidered enough to believe that we have our- selves pretty much under control, that "I am captain of my fate, the master of my destiny." Where does God fit into this kind of pride? Nowhere, for there just isn't room for us as masters in one life. In Matthew 23:12 Jesus said, "And whosoever shall exalt him- self shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

## What about Prejudice?

If we are so vain and filled with our own importance, we form opinions without due discrimination. We make mental decisions not based on reason and justice. "This is the way it is because I say so" is often our way of behaving. This is *prejudice*.

And this prejudice shows its ugly teeth mostly in relation to other people. Some say, because your skin is a different color, your eyes are slanted, you speak with an accent, and you do not look like I look, you are inferior, incompetent, and I will have nothing to do with you except as a servant." But in James 4:10,11 we read, "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he will lift you up. Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother and judgeth his brother, he himself evil of the law and judgeth the law."

## Are You Color Blind?

Does it make any difference to you how people get along or how you treat them? We are glad that the Almighty Creator, in whose image we are fashioned and whose children we are, loves each one of us. Are we so much wiser and better than He that we can discriminate on even a superficial basis?

As little children in Sunday school we sang, "Red and yellow, black and white, all are precious in His sight; Jesus loves the little children of the world." He doesn't always love what we do, but He loves us. By kindness, understanding, and example we must also love and help one another to be more Christlike. This is a two-way street. We must help others, they must help us, and each of us must improve himself. In Matthew 25:40 Jesus said, "Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

## Where and Who?

Where do we find people whom we are to understand, respect, and help? That's easy. Jesus says they are right on our own doorsteps, in our own neighborhood, in our own school, in our own town. Don't long to be a missionary in some far-off field and forget the job that needs doing at home! In Luke 10:29-37, Jesus told that it was only a lowly Samaritan, hated by the Jews, who bound up the wounds of a Jew who had been beaten by thieves and paid for his care in an inn. Being a hated stranger had nothing to do with his showing compassion to the wounded man. Jesus said and still says to us, "Go, and do thou likewise."

A young Philadelphia student who is a Christian Endeavorer, Carl Schneider, spent one month last summer with fifteen Ameri-

# Pride and Prejudice

Amos 9:6,7; Luke 10:29-37

(Race Relations Sunday)

February 11

Junior High (12-14 Years)



### SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR MEETING

1. Advertise at least two weeks ahead of time with posters asking, "Who Is Your Neighbor?"
2. Invite some school friends of different racial, religious, or nationality backgrounds to attend. Make arrangements for somebody to stop by their homes and bring them to the meeting.
3. Ask one or more of your guests to sing a hymn in their own native language.
4. Sing hymns of Christian brotherhood such as *In Christ There Is No East or West*.
5. Invite all your guests to say a few words, but do not embarrass them. Thank them for coming and invite them to attend other activities of your society or union.
6. Serve light refreshments before or after the meeting which are typical of another country or culture. Some suggestions are pizza, almond cookies, rice cookies, green tea, and matzo with butter.

can college students and thirty African students in a study seminar in Ghana, Africa. He has commented on the friendliness of the Africans and their desire for help in solving the problems of independence. He says, "The biggest thorn in the side of our group was America's racial problem. In a bank, on the street, even talking with the governor's wife, whoever and whenever it was, the African wanted to know why segregation persisted in a democratic country, and what Christians in America were doing about it."

Carl says, "The church has meaningful history in Africa, and Western missions often have almost singlehandedly been responsible for education and health, but Christianity faces a real challenge—even a crisis in Africa. The crux of the church's task in Africa is to present Christianity as a faith which can be applied to daily living."

"The church in Africa is losing most of its young people who study abroad. These men come back as atheists, deeply disillusioned as they discover how prejudiced and indifferent Christian America really is. You ask what you can do to help? Well, there are over one hundred African students at the University of Pennsylvania alone this year."

How about the young people in your community who need help which you can give? Are you making Christianity a faith which applies to daily living?

### Make It Practical

Don't just have this meeting on "Pride and Prejudice" and agree that it's a good idea to overcome these evils and then forget about it. *Do something now!*

The section of the folder "What Is Christian Citizenship?" (available from the International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio) on overcoming prejudices states,

"It is easy to acquire likes and dislikes and so difficult to throw them off. Most prejudices stem from a lack of knowledge, but when knowledge replaces ignorance, attitudes change."

"Promote activities which will help create understanding and good will toward minority races and groups. Investigate the history of other races and their contribution to human welfare. Arrange an all-American dinner sponsored by a youth society or union, to which will be invited representatives of all races found in the community. Make a study of the facts behind prejudices held against minority racial groups and certain nationals."

These are suggestions for action. Why not discuss what *your* society can do to improve the feelings of people toward each other in your neighborhood? Pray about it. Suggest various ideas, and select the best ones. Consult with your pastor. Make plans for what you hope to do, and assign responsibilities to different members. Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, you can have a tremendous Christian influence in your community.

### For the Chalkboard

(You may wish to use one or both of these acrostics on the chalkboard in your meeting room. They will serve as stimulants to do something about overcoming pride and prejudice.)

#### Defeat Pride by

- P roposing that our society conduct a Christian citizenship activity
- R eading God's Word to see that He is no respecter of persons
- I nviting someone from another race or culture to our meetings
- D esignating daily activities for our members which will foster better understanding
- E nlisting our pastor's help

#### Delete Prejudice by

- P lanning how to help people help themselves
- R idding our thinking of personal superiority
- E ndeavoring to let God direct our thinking
- J udging not until all facts have been gathered and studied
- U tilizing members of our community to accomplish our purpose
- D eciding just what goals we hope to accomplish
- I nvolving all our members in better understanding of others
- C oncentrating on positive action in solving our problems
- E valuating our progress toward the goals which we have set

Comments by Frances M. Becker, an active Pennsylvania Christian Endeavorer who is assistant director of Child Care Centers of the Philadelphia Public Schools





# Christian Endeavor Tool Chest

Isaiah 28:16; Mark 12:10

Senior High-Young People (15-24 Years)

February 18

## Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service  
Starting Whistle (Blow one)  
Plans for the Day (Scripture Reading)  
Isaiah 28:16; Mark 12:10  
Morning Break (Song Service)  
Quiz Groups (Led by crew leaders)  
Findings of the Groups (or crews)  
Lunch (Light refreshments might be served at this point)  
Afternoon Signal (Blow one)  
Briefing by Prayer  
Demonstration of Tools (Talks)  
Foreman's Final Word (by counselor)  
Closing Whistle (Benediction)

## Publicity

Prepare an appropriate announcement to be inserted in your church bulletin.

Make a sharp announcement (with a saw) in Sunday school, inviting all youth of your age group to attend.

Make an attractive poster featuring a house labeled *Christian Endeavor*. Print "Let's Build Tonight in Christian Endeavor" at the bottom, followed by details about time and place.

## Room Setting

At the front of your meeting room arrange a few boards to illustrate a house frame. On a table place a tool chest containing the tools to be used later in the meeting (see Demonstration of Tools below).

Arrange the chairs in a semicircle so that all can easily observe tools displayed during the talks.

The leader might wear carpenter's overalls, and the counselor might wear a hat with a pencil stuck in it.

## Starting Whistle

Blow a whistle to start the day's work (meeting). Explain that the purpose of the meeting is to understand how to build a Christian Endeavor house (society) with the use of the proper tools (printed Christian Endeavor helps and materials).

State that the Scripture readings deal with the foundation upon which Christians are to build. Ask one or two members with whom you have made arrangements beforehand to read the Scriptures and to comment upon their meaning.

## Morning Break

Use hymns and choruses which fit in with the theme of building. Some suggestions are *How Firm a Foundation*; *To the Work*; *Work, for the Night Is Coming*; and *I'm on the Rock, Hallelujah*.

## Quiz Groups

Explain that in order to build upon the foundation of Christ, the builders must have certain personal qualities. Divide those

present into six groups (or fewer if necessary) to analyze the six Daily Readings for this topic found on page 18 of this issue.

Give the groups three minutes to make their findings, and then allow one minute for each group to give its report. It should point out necessary characteristics of those who build for Christ.

## Demonstration of Tools

The leader should assign well in advance this series of talks to various young people in order that they may look over the Christian Endeavor tools listed below and make proper description of their contents. *Be sure you have these materials on hand. If not, contact the office of the International Society or your state union.*

In making your introduction say something like this: Now that we understand that Jesus Christ is the foundation and what characteristics we must have as builders, we are going to become better acquainted with some of the tools we must use as Christian Endeavorers.

The International Society of Christian Endeavor has provided some excellent helps to assist us in building our society. We will use real tools from our tool chest to represent the tools of literature for making our youth group "tops." Each speaker in turn will come to the front, get his tool from the chest and then the corresponding Christian Endeavor tool from the table, and then give his talk.

Here are the suggested tools:

### BLUEPRINT—CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR ESSENTIALS

This is the basic manual of instruction for Christian Endeavor societies. It sets forth the purposes of the movement and the means by which Christian Endeavor organizations seek to achieve them. Review contents briefly.

### SAW—PLANNING THE PROGRAM OF A CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY

This book cuts a sharp edge along the total planning of the group, whether it is long-range or concerns the responsibilities of officers and committees or the relationship to the church and other religious organizations.

### NAILS—A PROGRAM GUIDE

This manual holds together the details of the work of the local society. It is an annual publication giving suggestions for each of the five basic committees for each month from September to August, as well as the executive officers. This is a must for every society!

### HAMMER—THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD

This monthly periodical presents news and views of Christian Endeavor around the world. It also contains the all-important topic materials which we generally use in preparing for our devotional meetings. Since the heart of the movement is these weekly meetings, this magazine should be in the

hands of each Endeavorer each month. (This should be a good opportunity promoting subscriptions. Note these rates: five copies to one address \$8 a year; ten copies to one address \$13 a year.)

## LEVEL—OTHER DEVOTIONAL BOOKS

From the Christian Education section of our church library we need other helps such as hymn stories, poetry, thought starters and the like. Choose several of these from your church library to display at this time.

## CHALK MARK—A VITAL PROGRAM FOR YOUTH

This four-page folder sets forth our biennial theme, "Venture With Christ," for the period 1961-63. The three subthemes are Evangelize, Train, and Serve. It marks out a program in these areas for every youth group. Copies may be secured free for distribution from the International Society.

## DRILL—HOW TO LEAD

This folder includes sentence thoughts on how to prepare, to present, and to evaluate the meetings we conduct week by week. It is helpful in encouraging us to improve our leadership of meetings.

## SQUARE—SOME QUALIFICATIONS FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

This folder squares up to 20 desirable characteristics to be found in a Christian leader. There is much food for thought and inspiration for youth who aspire to lead work for Christ and the church.

## MAGNET—INTEREST FINDER

Sometimes we need to know just what the needs of others are in order to help them. This folder gives an opportunity for us to find out what the needs and interests of our members are. Programs can then be planned to meet these needs.

## SAW—WHAT CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR BELIEVES

This book is a Scriptural discussion of the four basic principles and the pledge of Christian Endeavor. It cuts out for the reader what Christian Endeavorers believe. It is good to know where we stand on vital issues.

## SCREW DRIVER—"WHAT IS" SERIES

These brief folders drive home the points concerning several important subjects—Christian Endeavor, the Pledge, the Quiet Hour, the Tenth Legion, a Lifework Recruitment, and Evangelism. All of them contain concise, helpful information concerning our program.

## PLANE—MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE AT WORK

This record book for the Lookout (Membership) Committee levels off attendance and participation for the list of society members. Every Lookout Committee needs such an instrument for its work.

## PLUMB—WALL PLEDGE AND PLEDGE CARDS

These serve as constant reminders of our commitment to Christ and the declaration of our intention to serve Him daily as our Lord and Saviour.

## Foreman's Word

Summarize the Christian Endeavor tools and stress the importance of their constant use in your society.

Take time to explain your own work as counselor with officers, committees, individual members, and the entire society. Promote society cooperation in a bigger and better way than ever before.

Comments by Rev. Robert Hess, field secretary of the California Christian Endeavor Union

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD



## Suggested Program Outline

Prayer Service

Hymn: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
Scripture to Worship: Romans 8:37-39 or Colossians 3:23

Location

Hymn: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Scripture Reading: John 10:1-11

Hymn: *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

Part of the Theme (by a Junior High)

Prayer

Worshipful Discussion

Consecration Service

Medication

## Worshipful Planning by the Counselor

The suggested program outline may be adapted to meet your needs. Creative planning with the leader of the meeting is necessary to make it relevant and challenging to your group. It involves taking the best of the ideas and materials that you have and putting them to the best possible use.

This meeting is an opportunity for each Junior High to know Jesus Christ in a personal religious experience. Nothing can be more stimulating than a meeting planned and promoted for youth to develop their ability to know and feel God's love through Jesus Christ in their daily living. Sympathetic leadership and creative participation of each youth begets poise, confidence, and efficiency.

Below are two suggestions for your topic presentation to be expanded and developed according to your needs and abilities. Also familiar with the Bible passages that relate to the theme. Assign all parts in advance. Pray that God will direct and bless your efforts.

## Emotional Aids

Perhaps the mayor or a city official may be invited to present a key to your city to your president or an outstanding Christian leader of past years. It is a custom of a mayor or governor to present a key to an outstanding prominent visitor as a symbol of welcome, privileges, and freedom. A large key with Greek letters to symbolize Jesus Christ may be made or drawn to create interest. Suggestions are a fish with the Greek letters *ichthus* meaning Jesus Christ, God's Son, Saviour, or IHS, the first three letters of "Jesus" in Greek. Consult a Bible dictionary such as *Harper's Bible Dictionary* for information concerning symbols.

## At the Heart of the Theme

Let us take a brand-new look tonight at heaven. In order to get there, we must travel on the right track and avoid detours along the way. As we grow older, it becomes evident to us that self-righteousness, good intentions, and good works will not fit the lock of the eternal city. For this reason, our topic presents *Christ* as the only key to heaven.

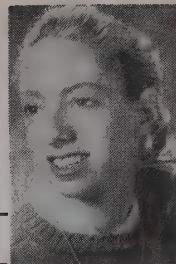
We receive Christ as our Saviour by faith and grow in His grace and knowledge. There is no provision for "the self-made man" or lifting oneself by his own "bootstraps."

In the light of this central truth, life takes on new and fuller meanings. Faith in Jesus Christ is the foundation of the Christian life. Let us think further about Christ and what it means to be a Christian.

# The Key to the City

John 10:1-11

No. 1 in a Series: "To Know and to Do"



February 18

Junior High (12-14 Years)

## A Worshipful Discussion

Plan a worshipful discussion on Christ as Lord and Saviour and our own personal response to Him, based on the following comments. Give attention to questions which concern the members of your group. Watch the mood and movement of your meeting to make sure it presents a real challenge and leaves a desire to know Christ personally in daily experience.

As you proceed think of the problems of trying to use other keys. Consider the benefits of trusting in Christ. Think of ways to share these benefits with others, such as inviting them to your meetings or to a fellowship hour with informal discussion.

## Wrong Keys

Will the key of good intentions unlock the door to heaven? "I intend to do good, but" or "I meant well, but" are feeble and ineffective excuses upon which to base one's hope of salvation. It must depend on more than what we say or do.

Are good works alone enough to enter the eternal city? What if I memorize the Scriptures? Or never take the name of the Lord in vain? Or never swear or use profane language? Can I win my way to heaven by doing good deeds to help others?

Am I a full Christian or an almost Christian? Can I be half Christian and never believe in Christ fully? Can I fail to surrender my life to Christ and expect to receive the full life?

A religion built on the love of self is self-righteousness. The "I" becomes the center instead of Christ. Although I may memorize and keep the law, I do not have a personal experience of God's free grace through believing faith. The almost Christian is not aware of the Father's love and forgiveness which He has given to all who believe in Jesus Christ.

## The Right Key

A Christian believes in doing good deeds, but good works will not make a full Christian. A Christian does good works because he is a Christian. Susannah Wesley wrote in a letter to her children these words: "It is not learning these things by heart . . . that will bring you to heaven; you must understand what you know."

Faith means trust, confidence, and belief. Unless a man has faith, his works will be in vain and he will not find joy in Christian fellowship and brotherhood. Unless a man has faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, he cannot hope to enter the eternal city.

The new and full life comes when one's whole life is surrendered to Christ. This key of faith gives to the believer the feeling of Christ's power and the assurance that he can do whatever God would have him to do (see Philipians 4:13).

The key of faith is personal. Each one must do his own believing. Each one has

to face his own problems and doubts. They should drive him into new insights and a deeper faith in Christ. Retreat is disaster. Forgiveness, the new life, and salvation come to each one who continues to accept the claims of Jesus Christ as the Lord of life.

## Your Personal Key to the City

(These questions might be used to summarize your discussion. The answers must be personal, but perhaps some will be willing to share their answers.)

1. Just who do I really think this person called Jesus to be?

2. What does it mean for me to believe in Jesus as the Christ?

3. What should result from my believing in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour?

4. Am I really a Christian or only an almost Christian?

5. How can I help another to find the fullness of life through Jesus Christ?

## Consecration Service

Sing together the hymn *O Jesus, I Have Promised*.

Then the offering might be received as a concrete expression of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord.

Read Ephesians 2:8,9.

Arrange beforehand for three members to make the following statements of faith:

*First voice*—Through faith I trust in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of my sins.

*Second voice*—Through faith I submit my life to Jesus Christ as my Lord and Master.

*Third voice*—Through faith I witness unto others that Jesus Christ is the hope of all the world.

*All three voices*—Through faith we believe in Jesus Christ with all our heart, soul, and strength, for He is the key to the eternal city.

Then all should sing joyfully the hymn *Since Jesus Came into My Heart*.

As all bow their heads, have somebody repeat these words of John Greenleaf Whittier:

O Lord and Master of us all,

Whatever our name or sign,

We own Thy sway, we hear Thy call,

We test our lives by Thine.

Comments by Rev. Edgar L. Mack, pastor of St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, who is a writer for the Division of Christian Education of his denomination

Hymns listed in program outlines in THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD have been selected from CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SONGS. This book, with an attractive red and white paper cover, contains 113 songs and hymns for youth meetings. Available from International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Price: 50c each, \$5 per dozen, \$40 per hundred.





# I'm First!

Mark 10:35-45

Senior High-Young People (15-24 Years) February 25

## Plan Ahead

Take or send the announcement of the meeting to the person who prepares your Sunday church bulletin. Get it in on time. If you have a church paper, submit an announcement for the paper too. A typed announcement will get better attention.

Enlist the help of someone to make posters. Take a large "I" cut from construction paper and paste it on poster board of another color. Use a caption like "Find Out Who's First" or "Want to Be First?" or make up your own. Include date, time, and place of meeting.

Cut three-inch circles or squares of colored construction paper. Put the letter "I" on each and pin one on all your members a week ahead of time. Urge them to wear the signs through the week. Others will ask what the tag is for, and this will provide an opportunity to publicize the meeting, the church, and your society.

## Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service

Prelude

Call to Worship: Proverbs 3:7-10

Song Service

Directed Prayer

Here are some suggestions: Pray for the "first" people of the land; pray that the world's "first" leaders may bring peace to the nations; pray that each of your members will put Christ first in his life.

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:35-45

Announcements and Offering

Special Music

Topic Presentation

1. Begin with the participants crowding in as described in Methods of Presentation.
2. Leader will introduce topic.
3. Use special features chosen by leader.
4. Discuss life situations and questions.
5. Leader or counselor will give closing remarks.

Closing Song

Christian Endeavor Benediction

## Suggested Songs

*Begin Each Day with Jesus; Give of Your Best to the Master; Jesus Calls Us; I Need Jesus; God's Way My Way; In the Service of the King; Living for Jesus*

## Methods of Presentation

PLAN A. In your community there are young people who have won awards for scholarship, oratory, or work in Scouts, 4-H, or other organizations. Invite two or three of them to describe their feelings in making preparations and in being chosen as winners.

PLAN B. Ask two or three athletes in your community to come and talk about the

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What was wrong with the desire of James and John to be first?
2. Is it good always to let the same person have first place? What attitude should Christian youth take toward one who always wants it?
3. Do people get first place by making it a sole objective?
4. When does the desire to be first get out of hand?
5. Does following the commandments of Christ put one in first place?
6. Does the Christian care who is first?

urge to win or be first. Ask them to discuss what makes up the drive to be a winner or on a winning team and how this drive applies to all of life.

PLAN C. Work out a dramatization based on the Scripture in Mark 10:35-45. Use as much of the language of the Bible as possible. Here are some suggestions:

1. Show James and John discussing their right to be first in the new kingdom. Some of their reasons might be their youth, their length of association with Jesus, and their closeness to Him. End with the decision to ask Jesus for the places of honor.

2. Show them making their request of Jesus. Indicate the presence of Jesus by the voice of a person outside the door.

3. Show the other disciples expressing their displeasure with James and John.

4. Show the entire group listening to the words of Jesus in Mark 10:42-45. Make the conclusion a close circle of the disciples with one of them leading in prayer.

PLAN D. Whichever method is used, start with the participants crowding through the door in an effort to be first. They might be shouting out such things as "I'm first!" or "Let me in!" or "I'm ahead of you!" This scramble should last only a minute.

## Leader's Introduction

*The introduction will be much more effective if presented in the leader's own words. He might say something like this:*

Remember when you were small and only one in the crowd had an apple? Everyone looked at the lucky owner, and then someone yelled, "Dibs on the core!" This meant that after the owner had eaten all he wanted the one who asked first got the core. The procedure wasn't sanitary, but it certainly illustrates the human desire to be first. Usually the possessor of the apple was so good at nibbling that the remainder was almost nothing.

This is just one of those times when there was an effort to be first. "First batter," "First in the swing," and "I get the towel first" are a few of the other cries used by children to voice their desire to have the

choice place. The title of our topic expresses the same desire often held by youth too. "I'm First!" (Here the leader should show how the presentation is to be made.)

## Life Situations

1. An airplane is about to load for departure from Idlewild Airport in New York for Miami, Florida. About a hundred people are waiting to board. Many of the passengers have been trying to secure the best places in line. When the attendant of the door the crowd surges forward to attempt to be first on board. One man bows his way to the front and discovers he has left his wife at the end of the line without the tickets. The crowd pushes again, and the attendant's stand is knocked over. Everyone's temper rises, including the attendant's. He picks up his tickets, closes the door, and disappears. The public address system announces another gate is states that the passengers must come through in line to insure the quickest service. They have already delayed the plane by their behavior. What would you have done?

2. A woman fills a wire cart in a grocery store and gets in line at the checkout counter. Others line up behind her. Suddenly she discovers she has forgotten a couple of items. She leaves her cart in line and hurries to get the articles. What should those in line behind her do?

3. Sarah works in the office at her school. She is a senior and hopes to win college scholarship next year. She accidentally discovers that a typing error in the office has put her at the head of her class in grades. However, she knows from error that the place really belongs to Bertha. There is no question that Bertha can go to college, for her parents are well-to-do. Sarah must have help. The scholarship may help on the grades. Sarah knows there isn't much difference in the grades and feels that she knows just as much as Bertha anyway. Really no one would be hurt, she thinks. What should she do?

## Closing Remarks

Jesus did not condemn James and John for their desire to be first in His kingdom. He knew that there are good elements in the drive of ambition. It is an important part of the forces that lead to achievement in many fields. However, such a desire is dangerous if it is not controlled by the power of Christ. If life is committed to Him, then all emotions, purposes, and methods are brought into harmony with wishes.

Jesus said to James and John that the places for which they asked were not to bestow. Then He proceeded to put them to a new objective. This goal was ministering to others. First places are not really attained by seeking them. Being first is a by-product of pursuing a far more important objective. This is the same goal pursued by Jesus Himself, for He came to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). Many of His followers have discovered that the desire to be first gets in the much greater way of life in ministering to the needs of others.

Comments by Elwood Dunn, general secretary of the Michigan Christian Endeavor Union, chairman of the Youth Work Committee of International Society



## Publicity

**Poster**—Picture a careless Christian before a judge. Use the topic title and include time and place of meeting.

**Invitations**—Invite your parents to be your guests for this meeting.

**Skit**—Present the following to your Junior Highs during Sunday school. John Jones is sitting in an easy chair and reading the Sunday funny papers. A police officer knocks. John opens the door and invites him in. The officer asks, "Are you John Jones?" John replies, "I am." Then the officer says, "I have a summons that you are to appear before the Junior High Christian Endeavor court tonight at (time of meeting). You are charged with failure to study and read your Bible regularly and with diligence in attending church and witnessing for Christ."

## Preparation

At least one week before the meeting, select the cast for the courtroom drama and schedule one or two rehearsals. Provide each member a copy of the script. You may wish to visit a courtroom or take a picture in a civics book to visualize the setting for your meeting. Consult your counselor for any needed help.

## Suggested Program

Prayer Service

Chorus: *Take Time to Be Holy*

Songs: *Begin Each Day with Jesus; God's Way My Way*

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 2:1-3

Invocation Prayers

Offering and Announcements

Courtroom Drama

Talk by Counselor

Closing: *For Christ and the Church*

Benediction

## Courtroom Drama

**CAST:** John Jones, a careless Christian; Burton Lees, the defendant's lawyer; Mary Eunice, petitioner, representing the Junior High Christian Endeavor Society; Tom Engles, lawyer for petitioner; James Edwards, the judge; Christian Endeavor Society Secretary, the clerk of the court; Harold Berger, foreman of jury; Other jury members; Ruth Adams, Sunday school class secretary; Eunice Jones, sister of John; Herbert Jones, John's father; Alice Gray, Christian Endeavor member; and Jerry Corbett, John's neighbor.

**Leader's Introduction:** This evening we are going to present a courtroom drama entitled "The Case of a Careless Christian." We hope there is no close resemblance in any of us to the John Jones in this case. But as we see him on trial, let us ask ourselves, "What if I were on trial? What would the evidence indicate? What would the jury decide?"

(Introduce cast.)

As the scene opens, the trial of John Jones is just beginning.

**Judge:** We will now hear from Mr. Engles, counsel for the petitioner.

**Tom:** (Stands and turns toward the jury and addresses them) Today we have the case of a group of Christian young people who are concerned because of the unfaithfulness of one of their members, John Jones. With deep regret they now charge that he is a careless Christian. Having endeavored to help him overcome his carelessness, but with no favorable response on his part, they now feel forced to take this action. (Returns to his chair and sits down)

**Burton:** The defense does not wish to make any statement at this time.

# The Case of a Careless Christian

Hebrews 2:1-3

No. 2 in a Series: "To Know and to Do"

February 25

Junior High (12-14 Years)



**Judge:** Mr. Engles will proceed.

**Tom:** The petitioner now calls Ruth Adams. (She enters and sits in witness chair) What is your position, Miss Adams?

**Ruth:** I am secretary of the Junior High Sunday school class.

**Tom:** You are acquainted with John Jones?

**Ruth:** Yes; we are both members of the same Sunday school class.

**Tom:** You have your class record book with you; so please tell us how many Sundays he has been present this year.

**Ruth:** Only four, sir. However, he told me that he attended another Sunday school one Sunday in January when visiting relatives.

**Tom:** Thank you, Miss Adams. I have no further question. (He sits down)

**Judge:** Mr. Lees, do you wish to ask this witness any questions?

**Burton:** (Walks close to witness) Do you know why John Jones was not in Sunday school the other three Sundays?

**Ruth:** Those who were on the committees to contact absentees in January and February reported that he was not ill. He told them that one morning he went tobogganing with some friends, another Sunday he overslept, and that the other Sunday he just didn't feel like going to church.

**Burton:** That is all, Miss Adams. (She exits and Burton sits down)

**Tom:** (Stands) Will Eunice Jones please take the witness stand. (She sits in witness chair and Tom stands nearby) You are related to the defendant?

**Eunice:** Yes; he is my brother.

**Tom:** Is there a statement which you wish to make before this court?

**Eunice:** I regret this very much, but for the past several weeks when I dusted in my brother's room, I noticed that his Bible was as dusty as other things he hadn't touched since the previous time I dusted.

**Tom:** That is all, Miss Jones. (He sits down)

**Judge:** Does the defense wish to cross-examine this witness?

**Burton:** No, your honor. (Eunice exits)

**Tom:** The next witness the petitioner calls is Herbert Jones. (He enters and sits in witness chair) You also are a relative of John Jones?

**Herbert:** That is correct. I'm his father.

**Tom:** What has been John's reaction toward family devotions?

**Herbert:** I'm sorry to relate that for some time now he has appeared disinterested. He hasn't refused to offer prayer before meals, but he doesn't seem to pray from his heart.

**Tom:** Apart from Bible reading and prayer, have you noticed a change in John's conduct?

**Herbert:** Frequently he speaks unkindly to his sister. Both his mother and I have noticed that he disobeys more often, and when he obeys, he does it grudgingly.

**Tom:** (Addresses Burton and then sits down) Your witness, Mr. Lees.

**Burton:** The defense does not wish to cross-examine. (Herbert exits)

**Tom:** The petitioner now calls Alice Gray to the witness stand. (She enters and is seated) You are acquainted with the defendant?

**Alice:** Yes. We are both members of the Junior High Christian Endeavor society.

**Tom:** What have you observed regarding John's activities in your Christian Endeavor?

**Alice:** Although he attends most of the meetings, he seldom takes part.

**Tom:** Thank you, Miss Gray. (He sits down)

**Burton:** Do you know why he doesn't take part more often?

**Alice:** Not exactly. He usually has some excuse, but it appears he just doesn't want to. And when we had the opportunity to become comrades of the Quiet Hour in December, he didn't do so.

**Burton:** That is all, Miss Gray. (She exits and Burton sits down)

**Tom:** The last witness for the petitioner is Jerry Corbett. (He enters and goes to witness stand) You are an acquaintance of John Jones?

**Jerry:** We've been friends since we moved next door to the Joneses a year ago.

**Tom:** Do you attend the meetings of this Christian Endeavor?

**Jerry:** No, sir. Once when I hinted to John that I'd like to go with him, he invited me, but then something came up and he couldn't go and I didn't either.

**Tom:** Has John talked to you about being a Christian?

**Jerry:** No, he hasn't.

**Tom:** Thank you, Jerry. (Tom sits down)

**Judge:** Does the defense have a question to ask Jerry Corbett?

**Burton:** No, your honor. (Jerry exits)

**Tom:** That is all for the petitioner's case.

**Judge:** Are there witnesses for the defense?

**Burton:** No, your honor.

**Judge:** (Addressing jurors) On the basis of the evidence presented by these witnesses, you are to decide whether or not John Jones is guilty of carelessness as a Christian. (Jury exists and returns in a few moments) Has the jury reached a verdict?

**Harold:** We have, your honor.

**Judge:** Read the verdict, Mr. Berger.

**Harold:** We find the defendant guilty.

## Talk by Counselor

Suggest specific ways parents and young people can work together as careful Christians. You may wish to present your talk as a story about how John Jones later became a faithful Christian. Or lead a discussion based on questions concerning being a careful Christian. Or interview parents or young people in your group who are known and respected as exemplary Christians. Contact them at least a week before the meeting.

Comments by Mary Lou Funk, associate editor of United Brethren publications, Huntington, Indiana



# Daily Bible Readings for Your Quiet Hour

Here are the daily Bible readings selected for use in connection with the weekly Christian Endeavor topics for February, 1962. These particular selections have been chosen because they give valuable food for thought in connection with the topic for the Sunday to follow.

These readings are grouped together on one page in order that Endeavorers may easily use them. Why not clip out this section and place it in your Bible, ready for your daily Quiet Hour observance.



## Junior High (Intermediate)

### Daily Readings

M. Jan. 29 "Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ" II Timothy 1:7-12  
T. Jan. 30 "I Promise Him" Deuteronomy 23:21-23  
W. Jan. 31 "Whatever He Would Have Me Do" Ephesians 6:5-8  
T. Feb. 1 "To Pray and Read the Bible" Philippians 4:4-9  
F. Feb. 2 "To Support . . . My Church" I Corinthians 12:12-31  
S. Feb. 3 "To Take My Part" Luke 12:41-48  
Sun., Feb. 4—Topic: Christian Endeavor Flash Back. Ephesians 2:19-22  
M. Feb. 5 No Dealings with Samaritans John 4:1-14  
T. Feb. 6 Prejudice through Fear Galatians 2:9-12  
W. Feb. 7 Prejudice through Pride I John 2:15-21  
T. Feb. 8 Warning against Pride Proverbs 11:1-9  
F. Feb. 9 Do Not Judge Romans 2:1-11  
S. Feb. 10 Listen to Your Heart I John 3:18-24  
Sun., Feb. 11—Topic: Pride and Prejudice. Amos 9:6,7; Luke 10:29-37  
M. Feb. 12 Eternal Life Is Promised Titus 1:1-4  
T. Feb. 13 Key Is in God's Son I John 5:18-21  
W. Feb. 14 Key Is a Gift Romans 6:20-23  
T. Feb. 15 Key Is Received by Faith Acts 13:38-41  
F. Feb. 16 Key Can Be a Possession John 6:47-56  
S. Feb. 17 Key to Be Held Onto Hebrews 3:12-19  
Sun., Feb. 18—Topic: The Key to the City. John 10:1-11  
M. Feb. 19 Reading the Word Nehemiah 8:13-18  
T. Feb. 20 Watching Daily Proverbs 8:34-36  
W. Feb. 21 Performing of Vows Psalm 61:1-8  
T. Feb. 22 Walking within the Law Exodus 16:4-8  
F. Feb. 23 Commanded to Study II Timothy 2:15-26  
S. Feb. 24 Walking in Christ Colossians 2:1-7  
Sun., Feb. 25—Topic: The Case of a Careless Christian. Hebrews 2:1-3

## Senior High-Young People's

### Daily Readings

M. Jan. 29 Launching Out Luke 5:1-6  
T. Jan. 30 Trusting . . . for Strength Philippians 4:6-13  
W. Jan. 31 Confession of Christ Philippians 2:5-11  
T. Feb. 1 Service for Christ Ephesians 6:1-8  
F. Feb. 2 Loyalty to Christ's Church Luke 16:1-12  
S. Feb. 3 Fellowship with Christ's People I John 1:1-4  
Sun., Feb. 4—Topic: Christian Endeavor Flash Back. Ephesians 2:19-22  
M. Feb. 5 The First Hebrew Genesis 12:1-5  
T. Feb. 6 Sojourners in Another Land Genesis 47:1-6  
W. Feb. 7 The Traveling Hebrews Acts 7:1-7  
T. Feb. 8 Sojourners in a Land of Promise Hebrews 11:8-16  
F. Feb. 9 Persecuted from City to City Matthew 23:34-39  
S. Feb. 10 Traveling Christians Acts 8:1-4  
Sun., Feb. 11—Topic: On the Move! Genesis 47:1-7; Exodus 1:5-12  
M. Feb. 12 Whence Cometh My Help Psalm 121  
T. Feb. 13 Building a House Matthew 7:24-27  
W. Feb. 14 Good Foundation I Corinthians 3:8-15  
T. Feb. 15 Count the Cost Luke 14:25-33  
F. Feb. 16 Follow the Blueprint I Timothy 4:12-16  
S. Feb. 17 God's Building Hebrews 11:1-10  
Sun., Feb. 18—Topic: Christian Endeavor Tool Chest. Isaiah 28:16; Mark 12:10  
M. Feb. 19 Honor God with Firstfruits Proverbs 3:7-10  
T. Feb. 20 Cast Out the Beam Luke 6:40-45  
W. Feb. 21 The First Commandment Mark 12:28-34  
T. Feb. 22 The First Gift II Corinthians 8:1-7  
F. Feb. 23 The First Shall Be Last Mark 9:33-37  
S. Feb. 24 Seek the Kingdom First Matthew 6:24-34  
Sun., Feb. 25—Topic: I'm First! Mark 10:35-45

## COMING EVENT

### For Your Prayer Calendar

Here is a list of Christian Endeavor conventions and conferences scheduled to be held during the next few months. Remember these events in your daily Quiet Hour.

#### FEBRUARY

17—Pacific Regional Conference, Portland, Ore.

#### MARCH

15-18—Oregon, The Dalles

## JUNIOR CE MEETINGS The Quarterly for Junior

### Topics for FEBRUARY

Feb. 4 The Christian Endeavor Story  
Psalm 19:14; Romans 12:1-2  
Feb. 11 Clay in His Hands  
Isaiah 64:8; Acts 17:24  
Feb. 18 Jesus Teaches Good Habits  
Luke 6:31-35  
Feb. 25 Jesus Stands for the Right  
Matthew 4:1-11

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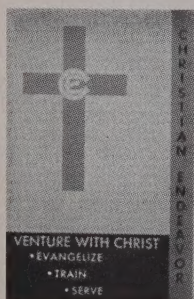
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# NEWS

## from around the world



...lliant over a successful rally November 18 at Central Tabernacle, Winston-Salem, are (from left) Bryce Lambeth, senior society president at host church; Mrs. Bobby Adams, North Carolina Union president; and Cecil A. Jeffery of Columbus, Ohio, the speaker. The rally concluded days of extension work in the state by Mr. Jeffery.

On December 27 John F. Stephenson, Jr., president of the New Jersey Christian Endeavor Union, was married to Jeanne Stires Somerville in the Pluckemin Presbyterian Church. The bride, who has been teaching in the Army Dependent School at Paul, France, returned to the United States in December. Mr. Stephenson, who is a graduate of Rutgers University and operated a farm in Pluckemin, is now attending Princeton Theological Seminary.

...mpases at the International Christian Endeavor Summer Assembly to be held July 2-1962, at Huntington College, Huntington, Indiana, include Christian citizenship, evangelism, intensive Bible study, and Christian Endeavor leadership training. Features will be personal Quiet Hour periods, Bible classes and discussion groups, chapel andesper services, recreation and informal sessions, and group demonstrations. For a descriptive folder listing the tentative program, write to the International Society.

"The Christian Answer to Communism," the popular National Association of Evangelicals study guide by Thomas O. Kay, is now available in book form. Use this guide for a study in your church of this critical problem. Find the real answer to Communism, the Christian approach for a positive attack on this world-wide menace. The author is an instructor in Communism and Russian Government at Wheaton College in Illinois. Copies of this guide may be ordered from the Publishing Department of the International Society; \$1.00 each, paper; \$1.95, cloth.

*The Leadership Training Institute in Guatemala for Central and Latin America Endeavorers, originally scheduled for December 29-January 5, has been postponed until later in 1962.*



Violet Keith



Douglas Wrightson

Violet Keith of Birmingham, president of the Alabama Christian Endeavor Union, is employed as a secretary. At Wylam Presbyterian Church she is treasurer of the Disciples Class and assistant to the teacher. She is also sponsor of a Junior society and currently serves as Southern Region vice-chairman. Douglas Wrightson, who lives with his wife and two children in Tiverton, heads the Ontario Union. An elementary schoolteacher in Port Elgin, he is a member of the Fourth of Bruce United Brethren in Christ Church. He also sponsors a Junior society.



Northeast-Capitol (Missouri) District officers installed October 1 by Gene Fink are: (front row, from left) Al Herman, Dennis Goodman, Claudean Eddington (Missouri Union president), Bess Gamm (district president), and Raymond Goodman; (back row) Ann Wilkinson (hidden), Frank Becker, Mrs. Al Herman, and Mrs. Raymond Goodman.

January 28-February 4 is Christian Endeavor Week 1962. Theme for this observance is "Called to Christian Freedom." The Christian Endeavor Week Packet, including all materials necessary to mark Christian Endeavor's 81st birthday, may be secured from the International Society. Cost is 50c.



These youth from the Christian Endeavor Fellowship of Fairmount-Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church in Richmond, Virginia, enjoyed a Halloween party in costume. Alice Goodman is counselor.

BELOW LEFT—This team of state leaders participated in the Leadership Training School held November 11 at The Dalles Christian Church, The Dalles, under the sponsorship of the Oregon Union. They are (from left) Mrs. Louise Pulsifer, Mrs. Zella Reiersen, Dorothy E. Howes, Ray Pulsifer, and Mrs. Etta Berger. BELOW RIGHT—Youth and leaders from Mt. Hood Union who participated. Jane DePriest, district union president, is fifth from left, front row.







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